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ATLANTIS - THE LOST CONTINENT

The legend of the lost continent of Atlantis has turned from fiction to fact. Although, through the years, the legend has been exaggerated greatly to the point that people are believing that there was no Atlantis, scientists have proven that there was an Atlantis by recent excavations.

Much of the tale has came from the Greek philosopher Plato who wrote in two books "Critias" and "Timaeus", and said that he had heard the legend from the Athenian statesman "Solon".

The people from Atlantis were supposed to be very modern for their time, which the Greeks wrote about because they often saw the beautiful ships coming from Atlantis. The Atlantian army and navy were so powerful (partly because they used bronze weapons) that they won every battle that they fought -- except for those that they fought against Athens, Greece.

There are many different versions of the way Atlantis finally didappeared. Some say that it was blown up by volcanic explosions far greater than anything seen on earth since,

Scientists think that, seeing their future, some of the people from Atlantis left to live in other parts of the world. They believe that the Egyptians, and possibly the Aztecs, are descendants of the people from Atlantis, since both were very modern for their time.

Scientists took one step forward in finding the answer to the mystery of the lost continent -- ATLANTIS.

— Stephen Roloff

IRISH SCHOOLS

The climate has its effect on Irish schools. Because it is warm, the boys play field hochey while ice hockey is being played in Canada. Also, a substitute game for our baseball is cricket.

School does not finish until July. They make up for it by having three weeks of holiday at Easter.

The school day runs until 6:00 o'clock, enabling the boys to do their prep in school.

— James Ross

UNWELCOME NEWS

As you all know, there have been dishonest people in our school who have been putting slugs in the coke machine. These boys, if they continue to do this may ruin the fun for the rest of us of having a coke machine in school. Dr. Speirs was very upset when he discovered that so many boys thought it was clever to cheat. He said the machine would have to go if this dishonesty continued.

There has also been another bit of inappropriate behaviour. Reports have come back to the school of thoughtless behaviour on the buses, and of boys neglecting to offer their seats to older people. These kinds of things certainaly do not add to the good reputation of our School.

Let's all hope for great improvement this term.

— James Goodall

OLD BOYS KILLED

It was a sad event when, on Easter Monday, two boys, Michael Hoffman and Tony Awde, both Old Boys of S.H.S. were killed in an automobile accident.

Michael Hoffman spent two years at Selwyn House and Tony Awde stayed for one year. Evidently they had been with two others (who also died) and had been hit by another car which was going the wrong way on a highway near Plattsburg.

— James Ross

S.H.S. HOUSES

The houses of Selwyn House School were named after the Headmasters of the school, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Macauly, Mr. Wanstall and Dr. Speirs. They were formed because the school needed competition not only between individuals but between groups of boys as well. Now there are competitions for sports and work and prizes are awarded for the best house acedemically, sports-wise and in general activities.

— Andrew Purvis

FORM 1A COURT

About two weeks before the Easter holidays, Mr. Seville introduced a new idea for making school a bit more fun. Every Friday Form 1A takes part of one of Mr. Seville's periods for the purpose of the court.

The "staff" of the court consists of a judge, a prosecutor, a defence lawyer and a five member jury. The staff changes every week. Although Mr. Seville is present at all times, no school staff members take part.

The accused are boys who have committed a "crime," such as talking out of turn, fooling around in class, messing up roll-call, being late for class after gym, etc.

The sentences range from one hundred to one hundred and seventy five word essays.

I think most boys in Form 1A find the court an interesting and educational experience.

— David Stewart-Patterson

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THE GRAD DANCE

The Graduation Dance is in honour of the boys in Form VII who will be graduating at the end of this school year. The dance is open to boys in Forms IV to VII. Jackets and ties will be worn.

DATE: Friday, April 25th

TIME: 8:30 - 1:00 A.M.

PLACE: Selwyn House School

COST: $4.00 per couple

MUSIC: The Group Therapy

— Chris Norris

FORM 1 BASKETBALL FINAL

This basketball final, which was played on April 13th, was not a high-scoring game. To those who played it, however, it was very exciting and tense.

The game was between the first place Lakers and the second place Celtics who had just beaten the Knicks 11-10 in the semi-finals.

The first to score were the Celtics. When it was centered out in front, J. Black was there and was able to hold of the ball and put it in the basket. Later the Lakers scored on a similar play with S. Sachs scoring. During the rest of the game there were many close calls but it eventually went into overtime.

There were two overtime periods without a basket. During a sudden-death overtime period Besner got the ball at centre court. He passed it to Currie with only one man back — Heller. He dribbled up to Heller, then while he took a step sideways, he let a shot go. Much to the disappointment of the Lakers and to the glee of the Celtics, it went in.

Final score —

Celtics 4 - Lakers 2

The Celtics win the championship!

— Julian Heller

THE COMING TRACK MEET

On May 21st there will be a Selwyn House track meet. It will be held at Molson Stadium and there will be races of all kinds. The four houses will participate in all age groups.

Each house will wear a different coloured ribbon:

Lucas - orange
Wanstall - green
Macauly - red
Speirs - blue

There will also be races for younger brothers and sisters.

— Greer Phillips

THE EXPOS BASEBALL TEAM

The Expos, in my opinion, have a strong team especially in the infield and at bat. There are, however, weaknesses in pitching. In their first game, Manager Gene Mauch, used six pitchers with none being very successful.

They have some of the most respected people in the National League in their lineup, such as Maury Wills. Surprisingly enough

they have respected pitchers in their lineup, but respect isn't everything.

There is a tough job ahead for the Expos being the first Canadian team in the National League. Their job is to represent Montreal and to play against the whole of the United States. My prediction is that the Expos will end up third in their division and next year second or first in their division.

— Simon Sachs

HOCKEY DISPUTE

There has been a lot of talk in the newspapers, on the radio and among sports fans as to who the real champions of the National Hockey League are. Some people feel that the real champions are the Montreal Canadiens who, after 76 games of the regular season, finished ahead of the other eleven teams. Winning this series brings little praise and little extra money.

The real fame comes from winning the Stanley Cup. To win the cup an elimination series is played in which there is a fantastic amount of pressure both on a player and coach.

Of course this disbute as to which are the real champions could be favouritism but also may be true. What do you think?

— Gordon Currie

WORLD AND N.H.L. HOCKEY

There are many differences between World and N.H.L. Hockey. The most important is that World Hockey teams are made up from countries such as Canada, U.S.A., Russia, Finland and Sweden and Czechoslovakia. In the N.H.L., the teams come from various cities such as Montreal, Minnesota, Tronto, Boston and many more. In the N.H.L., hockey is played quite roughly. There are many fights and penalties. In World Hockey, there is not much roughness. World Hockey is much quieter than N.H.L. hockey. Those then, are the main differences.

— L. Deghenghi

ORIGINS OF SPORTS

Boxing: The only known origin of boxing is from the Olympic Games. When they fought, the men placed a heavy stone in the hand of each wrestler. The stone was held in place by a piece of leather.

Basketball: In the winter of 1891-1892, Dr. James Naimsmith, an instructor at Springfield College, was training boys and deliberetly invented the game to provide indoor exercise at the end of the football season and the beginning of baseball.

Hockey: The first hockey game was played in December 1879 in Montreal between two opposing McGill teams. Some say, however, that the first hockey games were played at Halifax or Kingston.

Skiing: Skies were used as a means of transportation. The Swedes and the Lapps brought skies to the U.S. in the early 1850's and soon skiing became a popular sport.

— Chris Shannon

INTERVIEW WITH MR. MOODY

Examiner: Where were you born?
Mr. Moody: Margate, England

Examiner: What Schools did you attend?
Mr. Moody: Chatham House and Ramsgate

Examiner: Were you in any wars?
Mr. Moody: Yes, in the Second World War I was an Air Force Signal Officer.

Examiner: Do you enjoy teaching at Selwyn House?
Mr. Moody: Yes, especially on the holidays!

Examiner: What subject do you enjoy teaching most, and what did you enjoy learning the most?
Mr. Moody: Mathamatics, and Theory of Flight

Examiner: What prompted you to become a teacher?
Mr. Moody: As Bernard Shaw said: "Those who can, do; Those who cannot, teach"

Examiner: What do you think of the American situation in Viet Nam?
Mr. Moody: I am too busy to think about it.

Examiner: Do you approve of Mr. Trudeau's policies?
Mr. Moody: As long as he is boss, yes.

Examiner: The longshoreman problem: your views.
Mr. Moody: Now that they have to do some work, they won't be able to watch the Expos!

Mr. Moody was interviewed by
John Flemming

A FLORIDA VACATION

One day, Mr. Seville found out that the Goodalls were going to Florida at the same time as he was during the Easter holidays, and were going to be about twenty miles apart. We planned for a day to visit at our motel. Mr. Seville arrived in the early afternoon, and as it was a sunny day, we decided to go on a paddle-boat in the ocean. After an hour of paddling and jumping into the water, we landed back on shore and to warm up we went swimming in the heated pool beside our motel.

Later, we went out to dinner at a restaurant called The Careless Navigator which was decorated with anchors, and wood-cuts of a comical sailor and with names of famous pirates. After a hugh dinner, we said good-bye to Mr. Seville who then left for his trailer.

— Robert Goodall

ASPEN

Aspen is a nice little town in the north-east United States. It is a ski town. There are four mountains at Aspen: Aspen, Highlands, Buttermilk and Snowmass. Aspen Mountain is the most difficult to ski and Buttermilk is the easist to ski. On these mountains there are many chair-lifts. The skiing there was very good at the top but very slushy at the bottom. The line-ups were never more than half an hour and were usually only five minutes long.

If you were to visit Aspen in the summer, you would see many people horse-back riding.

— David Cottingham

THE EASTER HOLIDAYS

The boys of Form 1A spent the holidays in many different ways. Bobbie and Jamie Goodall went to Florida and met Mr. Seville there. The Goodalls got a bright sunburn on their faces and so now they can't blush anymore. Greer Phillips went to Italy. When he related that he enjoyed watching colour T.V. in the hotels he made me think that he went there just for that reason. David Cottingham went to Aspen to do some skiing.

Several boys, including myself spent much of the holidays skiing. Some skied in the Laurentians; some in the Eastern Townships; some in the U.S.A. Amazingly for this time of year, the skiing was very good. In some places there was even fresh snow.

Of the remainder of the class, a few boys spent the holidays sleeping late and loafing. The others spent some days at home loafing, other days skiing and still other days playing with their friends.

Everyone, including the loafers, skiers and travellers, agreed that the holidays were too short.

— L. Landsberger

MORE SKIING

The biggest thing that I did on my Easter vacation was to go skiing on Easter weekend. We left on the morning of Good Friday and arrived in Stowe, Vermont in the early afternoon. After leaving the luggage and my mother and sister at the house we had rented, my father and I went skiing at Spruce Peak and then Mt. Manfield. We did the same on Saturday and Easter Sunday. On Monday we left for home.

— Niccolo Gioia

MAPLE TAPPED ON SHERBROOKE

A few days ago a Sherbrooke Street apartment janiter tapped a maple tree outside the apartment. Unfortunately, when interviewed, he said he only got a cupful;

— James Ross

"MY SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN"

"My Side of the Mountain" is a good movie. It was filmed near Knowlton, Quebec. It is about a boy who runs away from Toronto to go and live with nature in the Province of Quebec. He runs away from civilization and he locates a good spot to make camp in the hills of Knowlton. Later on, he and his pet racoon, Gus, find a hollowed-out tree. The boy decides that this is going to be his new home. Eventually he meets a man called Bando and they are locked together in friendship. During this time, Sam, the boy, catches a baby falcon and calls him Frightful. Soon Bamdo leaves and Frightful gets killed. Sam then returns to Toronto.

— L. Deghenghi

COLLISION AT SEA

THE DEATH of a PROUD SHIP (Part 1)

My name is Peter Richards. I Come from Boston. I was First Mate on board the hugh White Star Liner, the R.M.S. Bright Star. Here is my account of what happened on that tragic day in March, 1929.

From the beginning Lady Luck had been against us. The ship

Builders at Belfast had not yet mastered the art of making proper water-tight compartments or perfect boilers. One of them had exploded, ripping out three watertight doors.

However, these had been repaired, and the engineer, wanting to make a record run, had fired up all the steam he could and we were cruising along at top speed in the middle of the Atlantic near our sister ship, the Olympic, on a foggy night.

All of a sudden the hugh bulk of the Olympic loomed off to the port side and collision seemed inevitable.

"Brace yourselves," I shouted. "Look out!"

The Olympic sliced through us and then limped off into the darkness. The deck was a confusion of torn steel, spilt oil and wire. The ship was listing to port and sinking fast.

(To find out what happened to the R.M.S. Bright Star, watch for next month's edition of the S.H.S. EXIMINER.)

— Eric Stevenson

QUESTION: How would you like to visit Osaka '70 in Japan along with the rest of Japan for 22 days, with other Canadian students, for approximately 1/3 of the price that you would pay if you went by yourself?

Many boys have already signed up for the Osaka '70 Japan Trip.

DATES: June 29 - July 20, 1970

COST: $795.00 - includes air transportation to and from Japan; all food; accommodation; excursions.

PAYMENTS:		
	$50	with application
	$100	by Sept. 31st, 1969
	Half of balance	Jan. 31st, 1970
	Final balance	April 30th, 1970

WHO MAY GO: Any student, boy or girl. Students should be 13 as of June 1, 1970. Students up to 18 and sometimes older are eligible.

S.H.S. ORGANIZER: Mr. L. I. Seville — Form Master 1A
Mr. Seville will accompany all students from Selwyn House School throughout the trip.

TRIP ORGANIZERS: Ship's School Association Inc.,
35 Front Street East,
Toronto 1, Ontario

MORE INFORMATION: Application Forms and Itineraries are available from Mr. Seville.